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WARRANTY

ABOUT YOUR MAYTAG

Congratulations on your choice of a Maytag refrigerator! As you use your new refrigerator we know that you will appreciate the many features that provide excellent performance, ease of cleaning, convenience and dependability.

It is important to understand how your new refrigerator operates before you use it. On the following pages, you will find a wealth of information regarding all aspects of your refrigerator. By following the instructions carefully, you will be able to fully enjoy and properly maintain your Maytag refrigerator.

Should you have any questions about using your Maytag refrigerator contact us. Be sure to provide the model number of your refrigerator.

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FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

For future reference we suggest you retain this manual after recording the model number, series number and serial number (six numbers and two letters) of this refrigerator in the spaces provided. This information is on the data plate which can be found inside the refrigerator door at the top left.

Model
RSD 24

Series

Serial No.

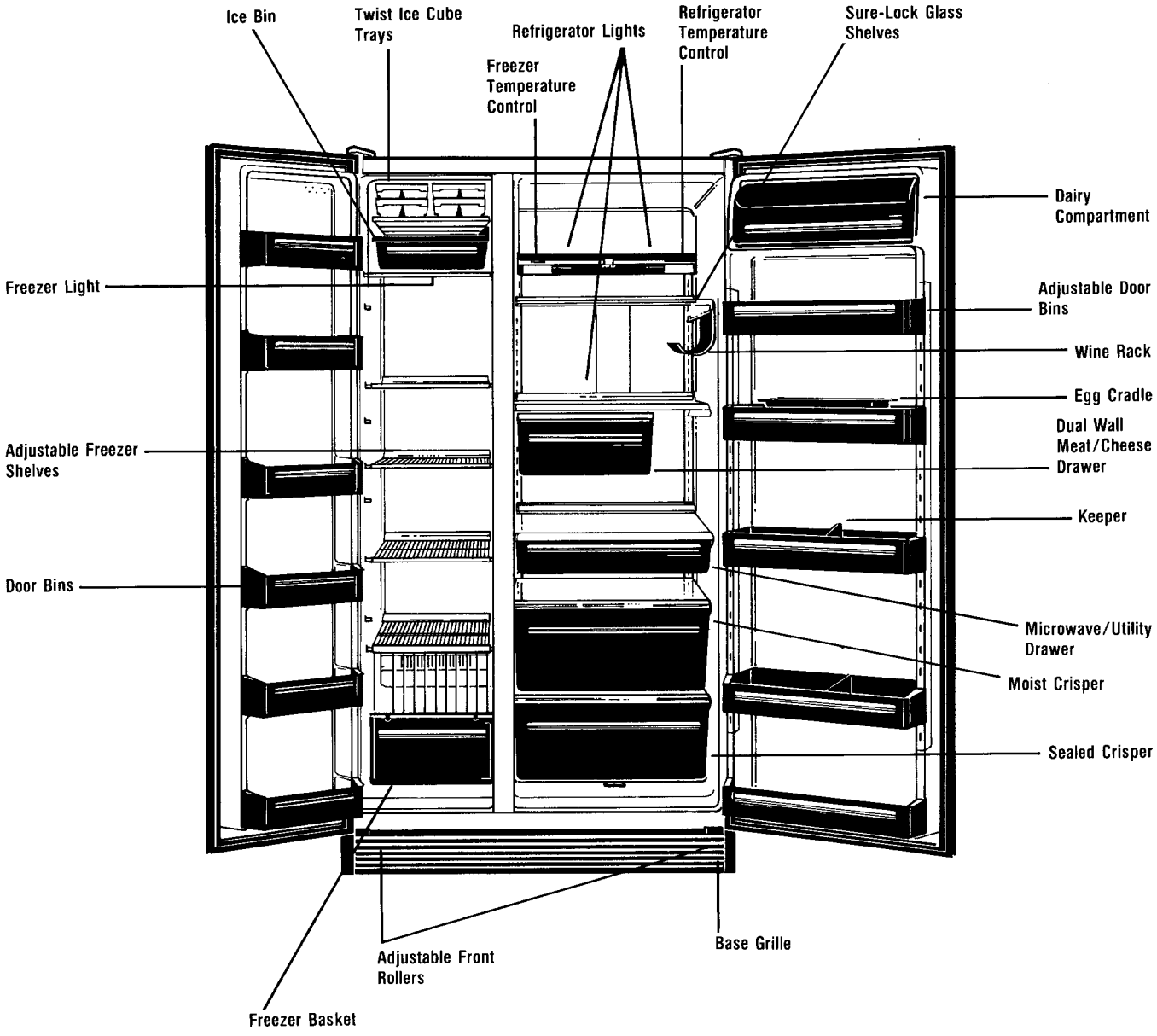
INSTALLATION

Remove and discard cantilever shelf packing clips located just above each shelf where it hooks onto the frame. To remove plastic clips, wiggle the clips sideways and pull straight out.

Locating Your Refrigerator

1. Allow a free flow of air through the front base grille.
2. Your model should not be installed where the room temperature will go below 55 degrees F., because it will not run frequently enough to maintain proper temperature in the freezer.
3. For ease of installation, you should leave a space of about 1/2 inch between your refrigerator and adjacent walls or cabinets. If the refrigerator is placed with the hinge side against a wall, you may want to leave additional space so the door can be opened wider.

GENERAL FEATURES



OPERATING YOUR REFRIGERATOR

Setting Temperature Controls

Your new refrigerator has two controls; one for the refrigerator compartment and one for the freezer compartment. These controls are located at the top, rear of the refrigerator compartment.

The Freezer Control

The freezer control has settings from A (warmest) to G (coldest). Initially set this control to D.

The Refrigerator Control

The refrigerator control has settings from 1 (warmest) to 11 (coldest). Initially set this control to 6.

Let the refrigerator run at least 8 to 12 hours before adding food. In a day or so you may decide one or both compartments should be colder or warmer. If so, adjust the control(s) as instructed below:

Freezer too warm: Turn freezer control to succeeding letter.

Freezer too cold: Turn freezer control to preceding letter.

Refrigerator too warm: Turn refrigerator control to next higher number.

Refrigerator too cold: Turn refrigerator control to next lower number.

IMPORTANT USAGE INFORMATION

1. Except when starting the refrigerator, do not change either control more than one number or letter at a time. Allow 24 hours for temperature to stabilize before resetting.
2. Changing either control will have some effect on the temperature of the other compartment.
3. Your refrigerator may run for several hours when you first start it. This is normal.
4. The coldest freezer setting (G) is recommended for short term use only.

Energy Tips

For efficient energy use:

1. Be sure refrigerator is level and ventilation around front grille is not blocked.
2. Keep freezer full to near capacity; less cold air will escape during door openings.
3. Let hot dishes cool before putting into refrigerator or freezer.
4. Cover liquids; if uncovered, the refrigerator might run longer.
5. Clean refrigerator condenser coils once a year.
6. Wipe moisture from outside of containers before placing into refrigerator.

Warm Cabinet Surfaces

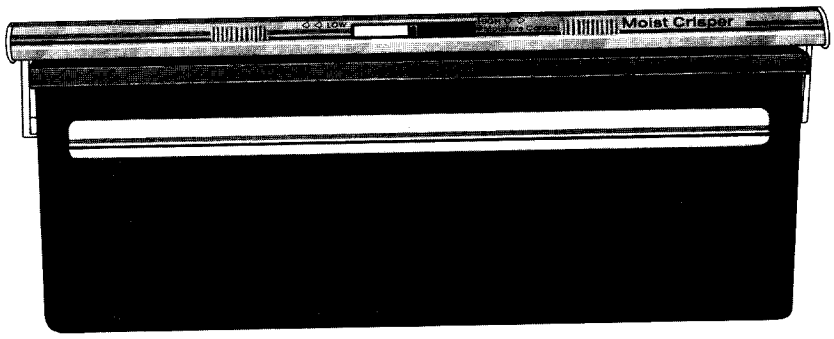
Some portions of the cabinet may be warm to the touch. This is a normal function of the refrigerator which helps prevent moisture from condensing on the cabinet. This condition will be more noticeable when you first start your refrigerator, during hot weather, and after excessive or lengthy door openings.

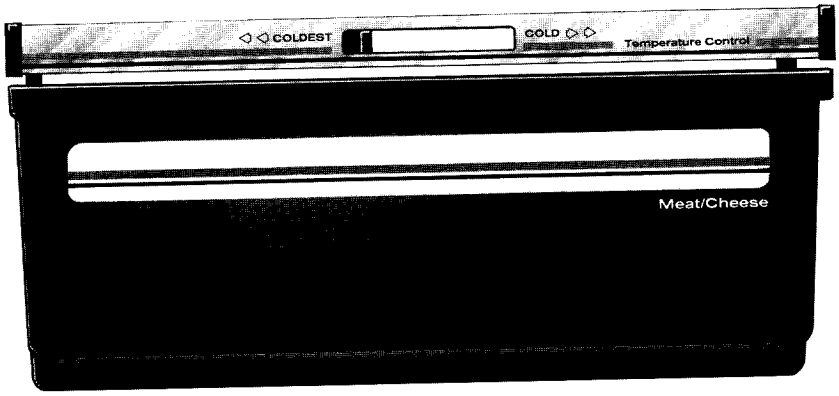
Crispers

The Sealed Crisper is ideal for storing vegetables while the Moist Crisper can be used for storing fruits or vegetables.

Moist Crisper Control

Setting Moist Crisper Control: The Moist Crisper slide control should generally be set at the "Low" setting for fruits and at the "High" setting for vegetables.





Meat/Cheese Drawer

The temperature control slide allows you to regulate the amount of cold air which surrounds the Meat/Cheese drawer.

Set the slide control to the "Cold" (right) position for storage of luncheon meat and cheese.

Set the slide control to the "Coldest" (left) position to provide the lowest temperature for fresh meat storage.

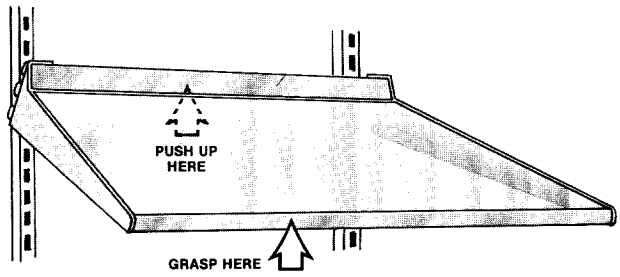
Microwave/Utility Drawer

Leftovers no longer need to be lost in the back of the refrigerator. Four Corning® dishes with glass and plastic lids fit into a specially designed drawer to hold them securely in place. The dishes and lids are safe for use in any microwave oven or conventional oven. They can be used to store foods in the refrigerator or freezer. The dishes should be allowed to cool before placing in the refrigerator or freezer. For extra convenience, these dishes can be washed in your dishwasher. The drawer insert can be removed if you choose to use the drawer for something other than the Corning® dishes.

CREATE-A-SPACE SYSTEM

Sure-Lock Refrigerator Interior Shelves

Refrigerator shelves are adjustable allowing you to arrange shelving to fit your family's food storage needs. Never attempt to adjust a shelf that is loaded with food.



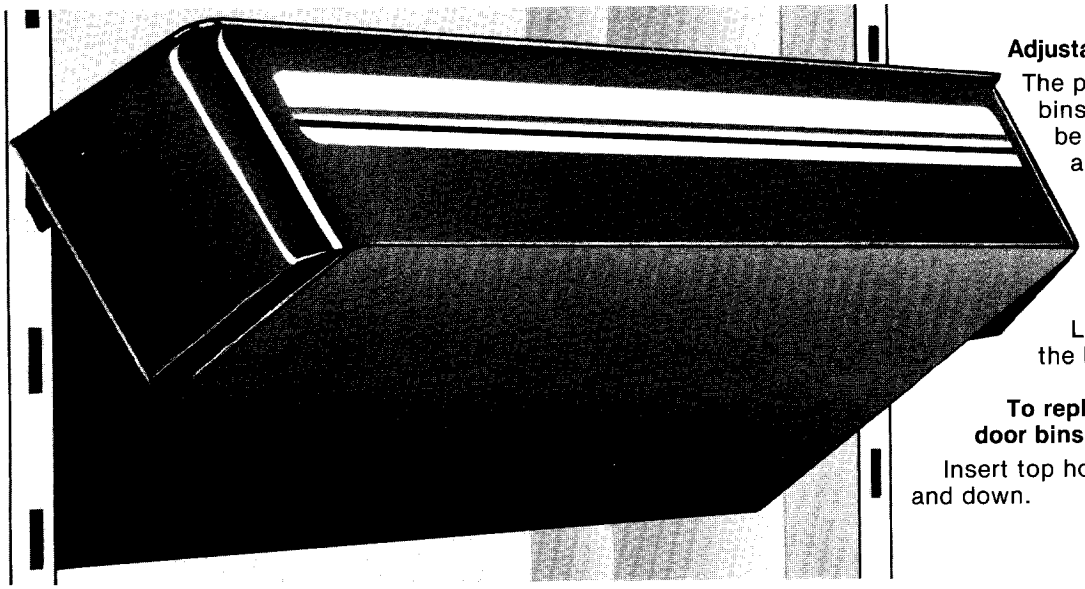
To remove refrigerator shelf:

1. Grasp shelf at front with one hand and push up under shelf back with other hand.
2. Pull shelf straight out.

To replace refrigerator shelf:

1. Keeping shelf horizontal, guide three support tabs into slots in shelf supports at rear of cabinet.
2. Lower shelf until tabs lock into position. Make sure shelf is securely locked into position before loading.

The shelf with the temperature-controlled Meat/Cheese drawer can be placed in one of three positions. When adjusting this shelf, remove the Meat/Cheese drawer and look at the back wall of the drawer frame. It is necessary for the air inlet tube at the back of the refrigerator to line up at the top, middle or bottom of the air slots in the back of the drawer frame for the temperature control to work properly. Set the temperature control to coldest position when adjusting the Meat/Cheese drawer. Once adjustment has been made, replace drawer and set control to desired setting.



Adjustable Refrigerator Door Bins

The pick-off refrigerator door bins are adjustable and can be easily removed. They are a complete bin so items may be carried without falling out.

To remove pick-off refrigerator door bins:

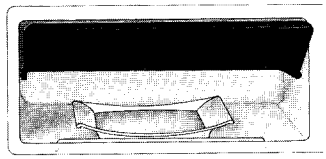
Lift and tip out on the the bottom.

To replace pick-off refrigerator door bins:

Insert top hooks first, then push in and down.

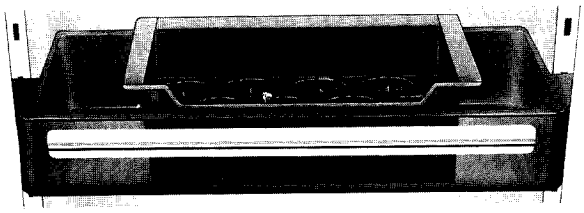
Covered Dairy Compartment

The butter dish is located in the covered dairy compartment. To use, simply pivot cover up.



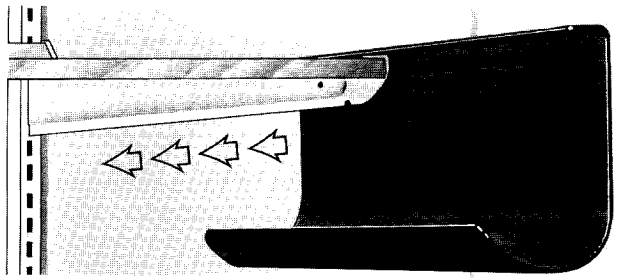
Egg Cradle

The egg cradle can be placed on a refrigerator shelf or stored in a door bin. It holds a "dozen-plus" eggs.



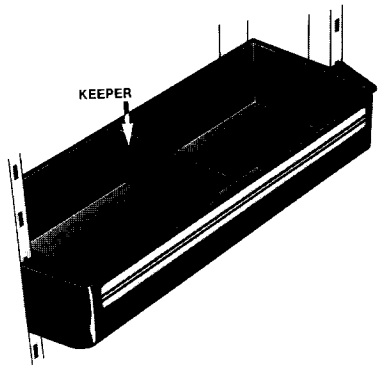
Wine Rack

To use your wine rack, fit it along either side of any refrigerator shelf and lay bottle on rack.



Keepers

Some refrigerator door shelves have keepers to secure bottles and containers. The keepers will help prevent items from tipping or falling when the door is opened and shut. On adjustable door shelves, lift the keeper slightly to slide from side to side. On fixed door shelves simply slide the keepers from side to side.



Adjustable Freezer Interior Shelves

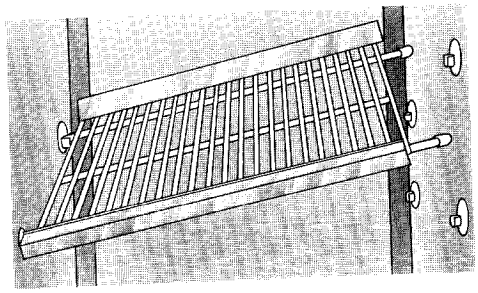
Freezer shelves can be adjusted up or down or removed to accommodate various sized packages.

To remove freezer shelf:

1. Lift up on right side of shelf and push to right.
2. Tilt shelf and remove.

To replace freezer shelf:

1. Tilt shelf and insert right rod ends into upper portion of oblong holes in the freezer side wall.
2. Lower the left side of the shelf and insert in oblong holes in left side of freezer wall. Make sure shelf is secure before loading.



FOOD STORAGE GUIDE

The following chart shows approximate storage times* for various refrigerated and frozen foods. These storage times can vary depending on the type of packaging or wrap used and the storage temperatures.

REFRIGERATED FOODS	Refrigerator 35°-40°F	MEATS	Refrigerator 35°-40°F	Freezer 0°F
DAIRY PRODUCTS		**FRESH POULTRY**	**Days**	**Months**
Fresh milk and cream	1 week	Chicken	1 to 2	6 to 12
Cheese spread and cheese food	1-2 weeks	Turkey	1 to 2	4 to 6
Cottage Cheese	5-7 days	Duck and goose	1 to 2	4 to 6
Hard cheese, Cheddar, Parmesan, Swiss	1-2 months			
EGGS		**FISH**	1 to 2	1 to 2
Eggs in the shell	1 week			
Leftover egg yolks or whites	2-4 days			
RIPE FRESH FRUITS		**FRESH MEATS**		
Apples	1 month	Beef, Ground	1 to 2	4 to 6
Bananas, pears and avocados	3-5 days	Beef, Roast and steak	3 to 5	9 to 12
Berries and cherries	2-3 days	Pork	3 to 5	6 to 9
Grapes	3-5 days	Veal	3 to 5	4 to 6
Peaches, nectarines, plums and apricots	3-5 days	Sausage, pork	1 to 2	1 to 3
Pineapples, cut	2-3 days	Lamb	3 to 5	9 to 12
FRESH VEGETABLES		**PROCESSED MEATS**		
Asparagus	2-3 days	Bacon	7	1
Broccoli and Brussels sprouts	3-5 days	Frankfurters	7	½
Cabbage	1-2 weeks	Ham, whole	7	1 to 3
Cauliflower, celery and snap beans	1 week	Ham, half	5	1 to 3
Carrots, beets, parsnips, radishes and turnips	2 weeks	Ham, slices	3	1 to 2
Green peas and lima beans	3-5 days	Luncheon meats	3 to 5	Freezing Not Recommended
Lettuce and other salad greens	1 week	Sausage, smoked	7	
Onions, green	3-5 days			
Peppers and cucumbers	1 week			

*United States Department of Agriculture & Iowa State University Cooperative Extension Services.

Tips on Food Storage

Refrigerator

- For storing fresh meat, fish, and poultry, remove store wrapping and rewrap in foil, self-sealing bags or plastic wrap. Store in Meat/Cheese drawer with control set at coldest position.
- For storing vegetables use Moist Crisper (control set at "High" setting) or Sealed Crisper. Odorous foods should be wrapped.
- For storing fruits use Moist Crisper (control set at "Low" setting).
- For storing cheese and luncheon meat use Meat/Cheese drawer (control set on "Cold" setting) making sure they are tightly wrapped.

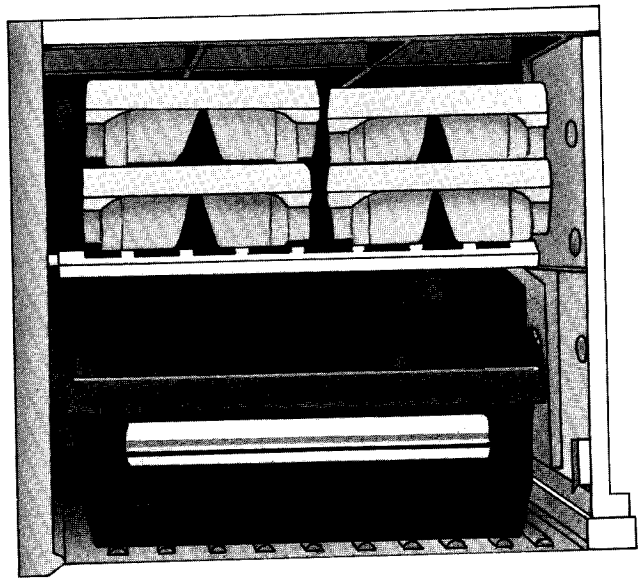
Freezer

- When storing frozen foods, use freezer wrap or freezer bags that are air, moisture, and vapor proof. These wraps must be tightly sealed.
- When freezing fruits and vegetables select fresh, top-quality products.
- When freezing meat, fish and poultry, wrap carefully in freezer wrap or freezer bags, expelling all air, and seal. Do not refreeze meat that has been completely thawed.

ICE SERVICE

Twist Ice Cube Trays

Your refrigerator comes equipped with twist ice cube trays and a storage bin. To release frozen cubes hold trays upside down over storage bin and twist both ends.

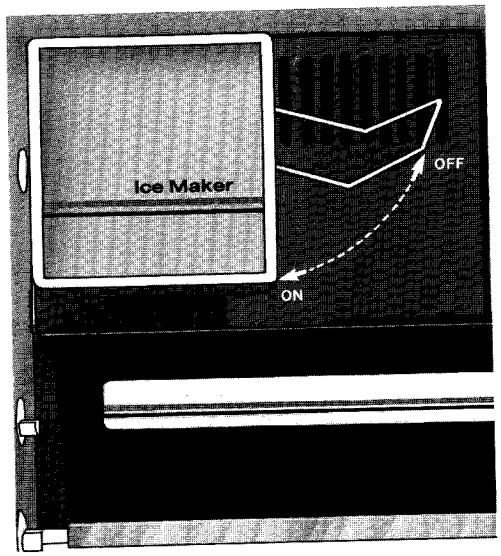


Automatic Icemaker (Models So Equipped)

Your refrigerator has been designed so an automatic icemaker can be easily and quickly installed.

If your refrigerator is equipped with an automatic icemaker, there are some things you should know about its operation:

- After your refrigerator has been hooked up to the water supply, move the wire lever arm into the down position. This will start its operation. The icemaker will fill with water when the freezer reaches the proper temperature. With a newly installed refrigerator this could take up to 24 hours.
- The first two or three batches of ice cubes may be irregular due to air in the water supply line. They may also be discolored due to impurities from the new water supply tubing. Therefore, all cubes from the first two or three harvests should be discarded.
- When the ice cubes are ejected it is normal for several cubes to be joined together at the ends. They can easily be broken apart. The icemaker will continue to make ice until the supply of ice cubes stops the wire lever arm, shutting it off.
- Certain sounds may accompany the various operating cycles of the ice maker:
  —buzzing of water valve
  —running of water as tray fills
  —rattling of ice cubes falling into empty ice bin
- Ice cubes that have been in the ice storage bin for a long time may shrink and stick together. Also, they may acquire an off-taste or odor. To avoid these conditions, occasionally empty the bin and replace entire supply of ice cubes.
- To stop the operation of the icemaker, move the wire lever arm into the up position.



CARE AND CLEANING

CAUTION:

Disconnect the power cord before cleaning. Also, do not touch refrigerated surfaces with wet or damp hands. Damp objects stick to cold metal surfaces.

Easy Clean Access

Your refrigerator can easily be rolled out for cleaning. Simply unlock the front roller locks. (See page 3.) Pull cabinet straight out.

Interior

Crispers and refrigerator shelves can be washed in the sink with warm sudsy water. Rinse and dry. (See page 7 for procedure to remove refrigerator shelves.)

When cleaning a glass cantilever shelf, you can remove it and submerge the entire assembly in warm water. Never use hot water. Always allow glass to warm up to room temperature before immersing in warm water.

Adjustable door bins and the egg cradle can be washed in warm, sudsy water.

Clean inside of both freezer and refrigerator compartment with a mild detergent and water or baking soda and water. Use 1 to 2 tablespoons baking soda per quart of water. Rinse and wipe dry. Be sure to wring out excess water from sponge or cloth when cleaning in the area of controls, lights or electrical parts.

The door gasket can be cleaned using baking soda solution or mild detergent. Rinse and wipe dry.

NOTE:

DO NOT USE abrasive cleansers, concentrated detergents, bleaches, cleaning waxes, solvents or polish cleaners to clean refrigerator interior.

NOTE:

Before cleaning freezer compartment, unplug refrigerator and allow to warm up.

To remove storage drawers:

1. Pull out to stop.
2. Tilt up drawer front and pull out.

To replace storage drawers:

1. Align drawer rollers in tracks.
2. Lift drawer front and push in.

To remove crisper shelf:

1. Remove crisper drawers.
2. Remove the glass insert next. Reach in from under side and tilt up. Carefully remove insert.
3. Lift front of crisper shelf and pull out. It may be necessary to remove lower refrigerator shelves so crisper shelf can be tilted for removal.

To replace crisper shelf:

Reverse procedure for removing crisper shelf.

To remove freezer basket:

1. Pull basket partially out.
2. Reach to back of basket and pivot metal clips up to a horizontal position.
3. Pull basket out.

To replace freezer basket:

1. Align basket with rollers.
2. Push back into position.
3. Pivot metal clips back down to a vertical position.

Interior Lights

CAUTION:

Disconnect the power cord before replacing light bulb(s).

Wear gloves as protection against possible broken glass.

Top refrigerator lights are located behind the full width light shield at the top back of the refrigerator compartment. A lower refrigerator light is located behind the Meat/Cheese drawer on some models.

To replace upper refrigerator bulb(s):

1. Unplug refrigerator.
2. Remove light shield by grasping bottom of shield at each end and pulling out.
3. Lift up and remove shield.
4. Unscrew bulb and replace with 40 watt appliance bulb.
5. Replace light shield by hooking top of shield over plastic pins and securing bottom of shield by pushing in on middle edges of shield at both ends.

To replace lower refrigerator bulb:

1. Unplug refrigerator.
2. Remove Meat/Cheese drawer.
3. Using two hands, spread top and bottom of light shield vertically away from each other and pull to front to remove.
4. Unscrew bulb and replace with 40 watt showcase bulb.
5. Using two hands, spread top and bottom of light shield and push into place engaging tabs in slots.
6. Replace Meat/Cheese drawer.

The freezer light is located in the upper portion of the freezer compartment.

To replace freezer bulb:

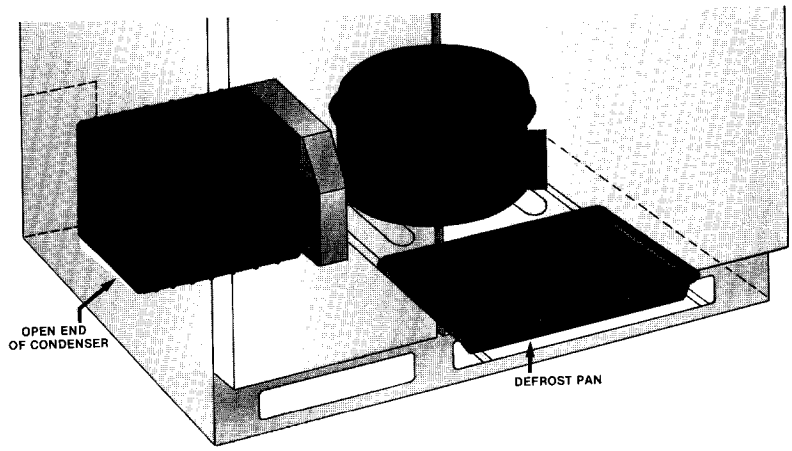
1. Unplug refrigerator.
2. Remove top freezer shelf. (See page 8.)
3. Unhook tabs on top of the light shield by pressing in with thumb on center top of light shield. Pivot shield down.
4. Unscrew bulb when cool and replace with standard 40 watt appliance bulb.
5. Pivot shield up into place, snapping tabs into slots. Replace freezer shelf and ice bin.

Exterior

Wash refrigerator exterior with warm water and mild detergent. Rinse and dry. Wax painted metal surfaces at least once a year using an appliance wax. Do not wax plastic or vinyl parts.

The area around the condenser should be cleaned once a year for efficient operation. Unplug the refrigerator. Thoroughly vacuum dirt and lint from the front and open end of the condenser. The condenser can be cleaned through the left front base opening. (See page 3 for removing base grille.)

Defrost water drains into a shallow pan beneath the cabinet and evaporates. This pan should be cleaned periodically with warm sudsy water.



To remove defrost pan:

1. Remove base grille (see page 3).
2. Lift up and pull out.

To replace defrost pan:

1. Position the side flanges to fit over slide rails and press down on center of pan to snap in place.
2. Replace base grille.

NON-USE PERIODS

Vacations

If you will be gone for a month or less, leave the controls at the usual settings.

During longer absences: a) remove all food, b) disconnect from electrical outlet, c) clean refrigerator thoroughly including defrost pan, d) leave doors open to prevent odor formation.

Moving

When moving, disconnect power (and water for those equipped with icemakers), remove food and thoroughly clean and dry interior. Remove and carefully pack any items that are easily removable. Ship in an upright position with doors taped shut.

TO AVOID UNNECESSARY SERVICE CALLS...

Before calling a technician, check the following list for possible troubles that you can remedy without difficulty.

REFRIGERATOR WON'T RUN	• temperature control turned to "Off" • power cord not plugged in • no power at electrical cord • circuit breaker tripped or house fuse blown
REFRIGERATOR RUNS TOO LONG/TOO FREQUENTLY	• modern refrigerators are larger and run colder, which requires more running time to provide more stable temperatures • condenser needs cleaning (see page 11) • control set too cold • prolonged door openings • base grille blocked • too many door openings • door not sealing (due to package or container holding door open)
NOISY OPERATION*	• fan noise — normal air flow • defrost pan not positioned correctly • cabinet not level • weak floor
ODOR IN CABINET	• odor producing foods should be covered or wrapped • interior needs cleaning • defrost pan needs cleaning
WARM AIR FROM CABINET BOTTOM	• normal air flow for condenser
CABINET VIBRATES	• cabinet not level • weak floor
WATER ON FLOOR UNDER CABINET	• defrost pan missing or not positioned properly
FOODS DRY OUT	• packages not wrapped or sealed properly • crisper not tightly closed
CABINET LIGHT NOT WORKING	• bulb burned out • no power at outlet
REFRIGERATOR COMPARTMENT TOO WARM	• refrigerator control set too warm • prolonged door openings
REFRIGERATOR COMPARTMENT TOO COLD	• refrigerator control set too cold
FREEZER COMPARTMENT TOO WARM	• freezer control set too warm • prolonged door openings
SIZZLING SOUND IN FREEZER	• normal sound caused by defrost water dripping on defrost mechanism

**Additional motors and controls are used to provide the improved performance of this larger capacity refrigerator. Therefore, normal operating sounds may be more noticeable than on the model it replaced.*

MOISTURE COLLECTS ON OUTSIDE SURFACE	• hot humid weather increases condensation
RED GLOW VISIBLE IN GRILLE OPENINGS AT REAR OF FREEZER COMPARTMENT	• reflection of defrost mechanism during normal defrost cycle
ICE CUBES EVAPORATE	• cold air moving over ice cubes when not used regularly
AUTOMATIC ICE MAKER NOT OPERATING	• stop arm in OFF (up) position • water supply turned off • water pressure too low • freezer too warm

IF YOU NEED SERVICE

If after checking the list, the appliance still doesn't seem to operate properly, call your Maytag dealer's service department or the service department recommended.

If the dealer or service department cannot resolve the problem, write to:

MAYCOR Appliance Parts and Service Co.
240 Edwards St. SE
Cleveland, TN 37311
615-472-3333

Should you still have a problem after following the above procedure, write to:

Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel
20 North Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60606

MACAP is an industry sponsored but independent group of consumer experts who receive and act on complaints from appliance owners.

NOTE: When writing about an unresolved service problem, please include the following information:

a) your name, address and telephone number;

b) model number, series number, and serial number (found on inside of refrigerator compartment on upper left side);

c) name and address of dealer and date the appliance was bought;

d) a clear description of the problem you are having.